in urban areas at 1973-74 prices corresponding to the per capita daily calorie requirement of 2400 in rural areas and 2100 in urban areas. The poverty line defined this way covers the expenditure on food and non-food items (such as fuel, clothing, housing, health, education and other social services) and ensures the adequancy of calorie consumption. This concept which was used for the Sixth Plan is continued for the Seventh Plan also. The poverty line is updated using the implicit Private Consumption Deflator of the Central Statistical Organisation as proxy for price rise in the consumption basket of persons near the poverty line. The updated poverty line is Rs. 107 per capita per month in rural areas and Rs. 122 per capita per month in urban areas at 1984-85 prices (base year of the Seventh Plan). With a family size of 5 persons this works out to Rs. 6400 per household per annum in rural and Rs. 7300 per household per annum in urban areas.

Non-telecast of regional language programme

1941. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is great deal of resentment among TV viewers in South especially in Tamil Nadu that they are not given the benefit of seeing the regional language programmes in the recently started morning telecast;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to increase Tamil and other Southere languages programmes alongwith the Hindi programmes; and

(c) what steps are being taken to telecast one more Tamil feature film during the week other than Sunday for seeing the Tamil feature film by showing other pictures on other week days?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir. However, reactions have been mixed.

(b) Since the Morning Transmission is being put out on National network, languages of the spoken words programme are mainly Hindi and English. The transmission, however, features programmes of national appeal and significance besides music and dance items of different regions including the South.

(c) There is no such proposal.

Books from Publications Division

1942. SHRI VALAMPURI JOHN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the titles and authors of the books brought out by the Publication Division in the year 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) what are the names of Tamil savants, seers, poets, play-writers and composers of Tamil Literary works and culture covered up in the said publications, during the period; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to correct the distortions, if any, in publications in the subsequent editions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The titles and authors of the books brought out by the Publications Division during the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 are enclosed vide Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 96].

(b) Shri C. Subramania Bharati, the national poet is covered in this category.

(c) Distortions if any, that may come to the notice of the Publications Division will be duly taken into account as and when subsequent editions of these books are published. However, at present there is no proposal to bring out any further editions of these books.

कम्प्यूटर खरीदने के लिए सरकार की अनुमति

1943. **श्री शरद यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार ने पिछले पांच वर्षों के दौरान केन्द्रीय सरकार, राज्य सरकारों या अर्द्ध सरकारी संस्थानों, रेलवे, बैंकों आदि को कम्प्यूटर खरीदने के